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Mel and Lerah Parker
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September 27, 2006

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Parker:

This letter is in response to your letter dated Sept. 18, 2006 concerning the "bill" from D.C. Orr for excavation expenses and the potential leak in your waterline at the former screening plant property.

The EPA has reviewed the "bill" from Mr. Orr. EPA will cover the expense of the excavation to correct the damaged irrigation line on the mine side of Hwy-37. EPA will not cover the item listed as Asbestos Exposure in the amount of \$4000.00.

In regards to the waterline, the EPA will hire a plumber to assist in locating the reason for loss of pressure in the tank. Once we determine the reasons for the pressure tank losses we will determine options for covering the expenses you incurred during the explorations discussed in your letter. In your letter you mentioned that you have enclosed a copy of the "bill" submitted to you for payment for digging the 1 1/4" waterline. That bill was not included with your letter.

Please be assured that we are not assessing blame or looking for fault in either, as our goal is to find the problem and correct it so we can move forward with a solution beneficial to all parties involved.

In addition we are working diligently to negotiate a plan to proceed with the bluegrass seed planting yet this season. We will present this plan to you when we receive a final estimate and timeframe for planting from Green Valley Sod.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Cirian".

Michael Cirian, PE
Remedial Project Manager
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